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RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the office action mailed January 16, 2003, please amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1(Amended). A method of generating optical emissions from metallic point sources, comprising the steps of:

forming micron-size droplets having individual droplet diameters of approximately 10 micrometers to approximately 100 micrometers, each containing nano-size particles, each nano-size particle ranging in size from approximately 5nm to approximately 100nm;

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passing the droplets into individual target sources;

irradiating the individual target sources with a laser beam having substantially identical diameter to each of the individual droplets; and

producing optical emissions from the irradiated target sources, wherein the steps of forming, passing, irradiating and producing occur at room temperature.



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